

A Parting Dinner

By ALAN HINSDALE

"Our marriage," said the wife, "has been a mistake. The sooner a mistake is rectified the better. I am going to leave you."

"That's not a bad idea," said the husband. "A bit of freedom from this new life that neither of us has yet become used to will give us a breathing spell, and if we come together again we will appreciate each other all the more for it."

"That if it is well put in."

"And if we don't come together again just think of the fun we'll have!"

"Fun?"

"Yes. I can remain out at a poker party till 3 o'clock in the morning if I like, smoke and drink to my heart's content, spend no end of time sitting on a stool before a glove counter with a pretty girl on the other side smoothing down my fingers with her soft hand."

"If these things are so delightful to you why did you marry?"

"I haven't come to your own enjoyment consequent on the break yet. You can sit all day beside your mother, holding her hand and listening to her advice to you how to manage a husband. Won't that be just too nice for anything?"

"If you loved me one-tenth as well as mamma does there would be no need of a separation."

"Oh, I could never compete with a mother's love! That is not to be expected. I suppose that's what gives her a right to tell you just what course to take respecting your husband. Now that you're going to leave me, her advice with respect to me will be no longer necessary, and I wonder what you and she will talk about when you nestle down for a morning chin-chin."

"She was inclined to think that the one interesting topic being removed, the chin-chin would be rather dull, but she did not say so."

"There's one thing I propose to do," continued the provoking husband. "As soon as you are gone I'm going to take down these curtains. I have endured them simply for your sake. They shut out the light."

"Indeed, you will do no such thing!"

"Why not? It will not matter to you whether there are curtains here or not. I shall make a smoking room of this, and you have always declared that when smoke gets into curtains it's hard to get it out."

"A smoking room of this cozy apartment! Why I arranged everything here myself!"

"So you did, and a delightful room you made of it. I remember when I first saw it I thought how many delightful scenes we would have here. I little thought that a few short months would end it all."

"Whose fault is it?"

"Mine."

"Why don't you do better?"

"I can't. I'm naturally wicked. If I were not you wouldn't need to leave me."

"Of course I don't want to leave you, but you can't expect me to endure such treatment forever."

"Certainly not. I deserve it all. But it's sad to think of my having to dismantle this pretty room for a lot of fellows who will throw cigar and pipe ashes all over the carpet and—"

"They will do no such thing! If you're going to have those horrid men here I—I—won't!"

"Won't go?"

"Yes, I'm going. I have come to that decision after long and careful deliberation."

"And consultation with your mother?"

"This was a home thrust."

"If there is any one who knows what is best for the child she has cared for and loved from babyhood it is surely her mother."

"I agree with you. Therefore the daughter should never leave her mother."

"The daughter is not expected to marry a—"

"Brute! But we are wasting time. When do you go?"

"Are you in haste to be rid of me?"

"Not at all. I merely wish to make arrangements for your departure. Will you permit me to see you to your mother's house?"

"Who said I was going to mamma?"

"Very well. I will take you wherever you wish to go."

"You'll have to dine elsewhere today. I have made no preparations for dinner here."

"Suppose we have a last dinner at Skinner's, with a bottle of that wine you like so well?"

"She hesitated, and he suggested that she telephone her mother that she would not arrive till after dinner. This last reference to her mother, though highly respectful, called a frown to the wife's brow. Nevertheless she went to the phone and sent the message. Then she dressed for the dinner and came downstairs looking very lugubrious."

"Have you sent your baggage?" he asked mildly.

"No!" she snapped.

"They dined with handsomely dressed ladies and gentlemen to distract their attention from their troubles, and music soothed them, and the wine warmed them. The dinner was excellent, and they spent an enjoyable evening together. When they drove away he made no mention of the fact that she had expected to go to her mother, but directed the driver to take them to their own home."

"And that was the end of the fracas."

Twinkle Trot Newest Dance.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—The "twinkle trot," a dance similar to the fox trot, will be the newest dance this winter, the convention of the American National Association of Dancing Masters decided Saturday.

The "Chinese processional dance" and "Gem waltz" also will be among the novelties.

WILSON AT THE CAPITOL

Railroad Crisis at Hand, Issue Before Congress

SENATE WORKS AT REVENUE

Matters at Washington Are Shaping Up for Busy Week

Washington, Aug. 28.—No other evidence of the serious turn of the railroad strike situation was needed Saturday than that President Wilson was busying himself actively to assure settlement.

Except in a crisis time, Saturday is a rest day with the president. During the afternoon he appeared at the capitol, and had earnest conference with Senators Kern, majority leader, and Newlands, chairman of the interstate commerce committee. Saturday evening again the railroad presidents toiled to agree upon a reply to the president.

Railroad officials here at Washington have been saying that any moment their men might go on a strike.

Meanwhile their presidents have been conducting a vigorous propaganda, dwelling especially on the denial of arbitration.

President Howard Elliott of the New Haven was out Saturday night with another statement, brief and crisp, on the arbitration principal. "The health, happiness, prosperity and lives of the American people," said Mr. Elliott, "are in jeopardy because of this refusal to use the method of settlement found satisfactory in great international disputes."

The Senate made headway Saturday with the revenue bill, reading it paragraph by paragraph and voting on amendments. Senator Underwood of Alabama tried to reduce the income tax redemption to \$2,000 and who voted down. Senator Stone of Missouri sought to read the former chairman of ways and means a lecture for his conduct and there was a lively exchange.

Matters are taking shape for a very busy week. Many absentee congressmen are returning for what is expected to be the last week of the session.

EXEMPTIONS TO STAND

Three Thousand Dollars Is Still Income Tax Minimum.

Washington, Aug. 28.—By a vote of 31 to 19, the Senate Saturday rejected an amendment by Senator Underwood to reduce the income tax exemption in the administration revenue bill from \$4,000 to \$3,000 for married persons and from \$3,000 to \$2,000 for single persons.

Discussion of the amendment was marked by a bitter exchange between Democratic senators in charge of the bill and Senator Underwood, author of the present tariff law, who, as Democratic leader of the House, had a prominent part for several years in framing revenue legislation. Chairman Simmons of the finance committee reminded the Alabama senator that it was a long-standing Senate practice for senators to stand by the decisions of their party caucus, and Senator Stone, also a member of the committee, declared Senator Underwood deserved severe censure for his attitude toward the bill.

DECREASE IN PARALYSIS

Federal Health Service Officials Predict a Marked Falling from Now On.

New York, Aug. 28.—The number of new cases of infantile paralysis continues to decrease. During the 24 hours ended at 10 a. m. Saturday there were only 91 new cases, the lowest in a month, and 25 deaths. Friday there were 94 new cases and 22 deaths. Dr. Charles E. Banks of the United States public health service Saturday predicted that from now on there will be marked decreases in the number of cases and deaths.

\$5 OUT OF \$14,000,000.

All That Is Left of Patrick Calhoun's Big Fortune.

New York, Aug. 28.—Patrick Calhoun, grandson of the famous statesman and prominently identified with the San Francisco street car strike in 1906, testified Saturday in a receivership hearing that \$5 was the only tangible assets remaining from the fortune of \$14,000,000 possessed by him five years ago. The proceedings became known Saturday. Financial reverses following the earthquake and fire in San Francisco were responsible for his losses, he asserted. Receivership proceedings were brought against Calhoun in a suit for alleged unpaid office rent.

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'TWERE EVER THUS

That which comes after ever conforms to that which has gone before. Marcus Aurelius.

To-day Menu.

For Breakfast.
Melons; cereal; bacon curls; corn cake; coffee.

For Luncheon.
Tomato slices; Buttered toast; sandwiches; tea.

For Dinner.
Tomato soup; crisp crackers; shell beans; apple pie.

Jellied Figs.

Wash eight whole figs and cook them in boiling water until the skin is tender. Drain the figs from the liquids, of which there should be half a cup. Soften ¼ ounce of gelatine in 2 tablespoons of cold water, then dissolve in the hot liquid from the figs. Add ¼ cup of sugar, stir until dissolved and cooled somewhat; then add the juice of half a lemon, ¼ cup of orange juice, and strain into a shallow dish. When firm, cut in cubes. Whip a half cup of double cream until very stiff, adding 2 tablespoons of powdered sugar and a few drops of vanilla. Place the figs in the center of a serving dish and surround with the whipped cream and the cubes of jelly, alternating cream and jelly.

Separating Yolks and Whites.

Often, when separating the whites from the yolks of eggs, the yolk becomes broken and falls into the white. Do not try to get the yolk out with a spoon, as it only spreads the more. Dip a cloth in warm water, wring it dry, and touch the yolk with a corner of it. The yolk will adhere to the cloth and may easily be lifted out.

Arts and Materials.

Had Praxelites attempted to hew a statue out of a millstone, I should have preferred it to an unheaven block of Parian marble; but if that statuary had fashioned the marble, more value would have accrued to it from his workmanship than was in the marble itself. In a word, nature is the material for learning; the one forms and the other is formed. Art can do nothing without materials; material has its value even independent of art; but perfection of art is of more consequence than perfection of material.—Quintilian.

On True Freedom.

"True freedom," Dostoevski says, "is such an overcoming of the will that at length one may attain to a moral condition wherein one shall always and under every circumstance, and in very deed and truth, possess the mastery over oneself."

To cultivate kindness is a great part of the business of life.—Johnson.

On Cooking Cereals.

Very often in cooking cereals there is a considerable portion left over that is not especially good if heated again, and for which there seems to be no appetizing use. There are, however, several excellent luncheon dishes that may be concocted from these cereals. Not only this, but some housewives deliberately cook an extra amount of cereal, in preparing the breakfast dish, so that they may have enough to serve in one of these other attractive ways. A few of these cereal dishes may be made according to the following recipes:

Oatmeal Timbale with Cream Sauce.—Four left-over oatmeal in timbale or custard cups. When cold, turn them out, scoop out the centers, leaving a wall ½ inch thick; mix a little cold chopped meat with the scooped-out oatmeal, moisten with gravy or water, season well and re-fill the centers of the timbales. Place them in a hot oven until thoroughly hot. Serve with a cream sauce made of 2 tablespoons of flour, 2 tablespoons of butter and 1 cup of milk. Parina, cream of wheat or other cereals may be used in the same way.

Grapenut Pudding.—Soak ½ cup of grapenuts ½ hour or longer in hot water to cover. Beat 2 eggs and ¼ cup of sugar together until light, then add 2 cups of cold milk. Add the softened grapenuts, ½ teaspoon of salt, and ¼ teaspoon of grated nutmeg. Pour into a baking dish and bake until firm in a slow oven. This will require about 25 minutes if baked in individual molds, and about double that time if baked in a large mold. Serve with or without cream.

Oatmeal Fritters.—Put leftover oatmeal into a small mold and stand away to harden. When ready to use, turn it out, cut in slices ½ inch thick and then into strips 1 inch wide. Dip in egg, roll in bread crumbs, and fry. Drain on brown paper, dust with powdered sugar and serve.

Fried Cornmeal Mush.—Turn the mush from the mold where it was placed after breakfast, slice it a half-inch thick or a little less, dust with flour and saute of butter until a golden brown on both sides. Or roll in egg and crumbs and fry in deep fat. Plenty of time must be allowed for frying mush, as it does not brown quickly. Probably a half hour will be required to fry a panful for four persons. Slices of cold cream of wheat may be fried in the same way.

Oatmeal Waffles.—To 1 cup of cold cooked oatmeal add 1 cup of milk, 1 tablespoon of melted butter, also ½ cup of whole wheat flour, ½ teaspoon of salt and 2 teaspoons of baking powder. Mix together. Beat well, add the beaten yolks of 2 eggs and lastly cut and fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Bake on a hot greased waffle iron and serve at once.

Chocolate Farina Custard.—Mix smoothly a cup of cold farina and 1 pint of milk, and cook about 10 minutes. Add 2 ounces of grated chocolate to the yolks of 3 eggs beaten with 4 tablespoons of sugar, and add slowly to the farina. Return to the fire, cook a few minutes, then cut and fold in the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs. Cook two or three minutes longer to cook the egg, add a teaspoon of vanilla, pour into wet molds, and set away to cool.

Salt Cellars in Damp Weather.

Housewives are often troubled in damp weather to keep their salt cellars from clogging up and becoming useless. A reader of The Christian Science Monitor advises the following method: Empty the salt cellar, wash it clean and heat it on top of the oven; then fill it with fresh salt and place under an inverted tumbler. Keep the cellars thus protected when not in use and they will remain in good condition.

BIG DEMAND FOR WOMEN

To Fill Places in British Government Offices Formerly Held By Men.

London, Aug. 26.—There are 11,000 women clerks and stenographers now employed in the British government offices in Whitehall, a fact which gives some idea of the way the women have filled the gaps left by the men who have joined the army. And still the cry is heard for more women, which leads to the belief that the demand has outstripped the supply.

Even the government departments are finding difficulty in securing the clerical assistance they require. At one time Whitehall officials could pick and choose their clerks and the majority of those engaged were of an adaptable age—from 20 to 30—but an intelligent girl of 17 without experience can now find a place and middle-aged women need no longer feel that they are not wanted.

To meet extensions of the activities of such busy places as the war office and the ministry of munitions, it is estimated that some 200 women clerks can be absorbed every week into the official machinery.

The pay is not high, though it is more than what was regarded as a satisfactory starting salary for young girls before the war. It is, of course, far below the salary paid for similar work in the United States.

For ordinary routine work or typewriting the pay is one pound (\$5) a week, with six pence (12 cents) an hour.

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